SENATE BILL 3712

By Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to teachers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-107, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

No person otherwise qualified shall be denied the right to enter training in any college or university or engage in student teaching for the purpose of becoming a teacher on the grounds the person has a disability; nor shall any local board of education refuse to employ a person with a disability as a licensed teacher; provided, that the person with a disability is able to carry out the duties of the position for which the person applies.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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